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The News Organ of the Capital City Squares
A Founding Member of the IAGSDC

Happy Holidays!

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Change in Dance Venue:
Prime 8's on Monday, December 14, and Capital City Squares on Tuesday, December 15, will dance at Joseph's Town 'n' Country Inn.

Well, here we are in the holiday season!!! An incredible lot has happened this past year, within the Club as well as without. I'm fairly certain I need not go into the political ramifications of the "changing of the guard" at the White House ('course I did like the quip about one demo turning to another just after the election and saying, "Ohmygod, now it's OUR deficit!"). Anyway, on the socio-political scene, the next four years oughta be interesting! 'Nough about that.

I guess the greatest accomplishments we have for this last year with the Club range from getting incorporated (thank you, David) to developing enough support to sponsor a dance every month (thank you, James) and whole lot in between. In other words we have progressed a lot this year. Now, don't think we can sit back and rest for 1993—goodness (what's that?), there is always something to be done, but I'll get to a few of those eventually. I'd like to prattle on 'bout other things first.

So much of what has been done this year has been done by people who aren't looking for the "power and glory" they don't get anyway. There are many who have quietly pitched in and helped—picked up a broom and swept the floor, gathered the discarded cups and cans, gleaned through publications and catalogs for ideas and information, made phone calls at all sorts of odd hours to heaven-knows-where . . . the list goes on. So many of these, pardon the expression, "helpful little fairies" go unnoticed and unthanked, though we are thankful for what has been done. To each of you, known and unknown, I do thank you! I may forget to say it at the time, sometimes, and sometimes you do it and leave before I can thank you, but let me again say thanks. Without you, each and all, the Club would not survive!

MY CONGRATULATIONS to the New Class Rep and alternate: Welcome to the Board, Jerry and Kevin. Remember, guys, that it's your responsibility to truly represent your class to the Board. It is the unique perspective of the new class and its reps that we (the Board and the instructor) depend upon to make sure "glitches" are caught and corrected. Sound easy? It can be, if you take the initiative and discuss perceived problems with the rest of

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The CEO Speaks!

the class. The rest of the Club is here to help and to support, but it is up to you to bring these problems to us—we may not see them! Anyway, welcome: now git ta work!

THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING seemed to go all right. I hope it wasn't too arduous for too many members. As I'd warned, there wasn't a whole lot to cover, but there were a few items. However, since neither the secretary nor I thought about "official minutes" of the meeting, please bear with my memory (always faulty) and my "advanced notes" (always scribbled) to recap the meeting, in brief and, mostly, for the record. Please feel free to make any corrections in this. . . . To start, I but touched upon the fact that December 1st (the evening of the meeting) was also World AIDS Day. I could not add much to the very eloquent and touching comments Robin had made earlier in the evening on that topic (we are hoping for written version of that from her); I could only add that commemorations and vigils were indeed happening all over the world.

I ran the idea of moving the dates of our annual retreat by one week, to the 16th–18th of April from the 23rd–25th, since the latter dates put this in direct conflict with the March on Washington. Of those present to whom the dates made a difference, the vote was over four to one to move the dates of the retreat back one week, pending the okay of this by Fife's Resort in Guerneville and the availability of the Veteran's Memorial Hall for dance space. (Note: this last was clarified at the Board meeting the next evening to confirm only with Fife's as there are other places to dance.) I have taken the vote "to heart," and after a few days of "telephone tag" with the new owners of Fife's, have gotten a confirmation of the date change. (David, the new owner, has one concern: a lot of refurbishing is going to happen immediately upon closure of escrow and he is not sure all of the cabins will be "perf" by then.) Therefore, as of now, the dates of the Capital City Squares Annual Retreat are April 16–18, 1993. PLEASE ADJUST YOUR CALENDARS ACCORDINGLY. (Ironically, the official IAGSDC calendar already had that weekend, without our knowledge—I want their crystal ball!)

Next on the agenda (such as it was) was the proposal to include "Lesbian" in the international association name. It has been asked by the association president that we bring this proposal to our Club members as well as directing Board. At the present time, there is no further word as to the hows and whys of this, but please "simmer" this in the back of your mind; any comments and/or observations, pro, con, or "undecided," at this time, are appreciated.

I then moved on to the class scheduling for the month of December and into January as follows: no dancing (either for CCS or for Prime 8's) between December 21st and January 3rd. Prime 8's is scheduled to pick up on the 4th of January and CCS on the 5th, still at Jefferson School. I think I also mentioned that the school is now considering a "significant" rental fee for use of the facility, but it has not decided how much and/or when (but prob'ly January '93).

The final portion of the general meeting was showing the video sent

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Due in January

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December Board Minutes

December 2, 1992

This month's meeting was held at the usual place: Bill, Michael and Heidi's home in Citrus Heights. Attending were Bill, George, Rick C., James, Rick A., Kris, Cindy, Becca, Kas, Jerry, and Mark.

The first official item of discussion brought up by George was our April retreat to Fife's. The vote taken on class night, December 1st, showed that most people don't have a preference whether or not the retreat conflicts with the gay march on Washington D.C. However, more people did vote to change the retreat date than voted to keep it the same, so the Board decided (voted) to change the retreat date to April 16, 17, and 18 if the new owners of Fife's will allow it. The reservations at the Veteran's Hall will also need to be changed. If the Hall is not able to comply, George will look into finding a school to dance in or some other option.

Second: Jeff Barlow contacted Jefferson Elementary School regarding our ability to use the facility for future dances and was informed that as of January the Club may have to pay to use the school. The cost and any further information is presently unavailable.

Third: Upcoming dances!!!
1. Saturday, December 12th—Starry Starry Night. 7:30- 10:30—Art Hinton, Caller (see the flyer in the newsletter.)
2. January—The mystery dance idea is a great one, but James says that the cost was going to be prohibitively high. Instead we will have a "Winter White" theme dance at Jefferson School. Bert Swerer, Caller.
3. February—Dangle Dance—Jefferson School with floor level workshops in the afternoon (one session geared to all levels). Potluck and hoedown that evening.

Fourth: Jeff Barlow relayed to George that the club should look into making plans to use Jefferson School next year and start classes one month earlier. The board was unanimously in agreement.

Fifth: Insurance for club equipment and records. Rick Arts will follow up on the possibilities and costs. Estimated value of equipment is $4,500.00.

Sixth. Treasurer's report... $718.00 in the bank.

Seventh: The club received a notice on the importance of complying with the laws regarding paying fees to BMI/ASCAP for the right to use recorded materials in a public situation. Kris will look into the importance of paying the $85.00 annual fee and whether or not we can legally be held negligent.

Eighth: Personal donations from club members totaling $80.00 were collected along with $50.00 from the Club and donated to the San Joaquin AIDS Foundation in memory of David Cogswell.

Ninth: The Board voted to place a business card size advertisement in the Sacramento Men's Chorus Christmas program for $25.00.

Tenth: James reports that January 30TH will be the "kick off" dance for the 1996 IAGSDC convention in San Francisco. The dance will be held at the Hyatt Regency in S.F. The convention theme is "Stars, Thars, and Cable Cars." Ideas for the logo will be accepted up until dance night, January 30th, 1992.

The next Board meeting will be held January 13th, next year.

Respectfully submitted by

Mark

Graciously typed by Jeff

Coming Events

☙ signifies an ostensibly "straight" event

December

1	World AIDS Day.
4–6	"Chase Right Through That Neon Rainbow" (Bill Eyler), Neon Squares, Las Vegas, NV.
5	Anniversary Dance (Jet Roberts), ECR, Palo Alto, CA.
12	☙ PACE Challenge Dance (Jerry Story), East Bay, CA.
12	"Starry, Starry Nights" (Art Hinton), CCS, William Land School, Sacramento, CA.
18	Bill and Michael leave for Hawaii. Except for the following event, square dancing on the North American continent is prohibited.
19	Prime 8's A-2 Dance (Dave Stevens), Jefferson Elementary School, Sacramento, CA.
19–20	Sacramento Men's Chorus, Holiday Concert, Sacramento, CA. (See ad for details)

1993

January

2	Bill and Michael return from Hawaii. Square dancing may resume.
8–10	☙ PACE Advanced & Challenge Weekend (Mike Jacobs), Hayward, CA.
9	FCD Basic/Mainstream Graduation Dance, San Francisco, CA.
13	CCS Board Meeting, Bill & Michael's, Citrus Heights, CA.
15-17	Fly-In, Desert Valley Squares, Phoenix, AZ.
16	"Winter White" Dance (Bert Swerer), CCS, Jefferson School, Sacramento, CA.
30	'96 Convention Kick off Dance, Hyatt Regency, San Francisco.

February

6	Midnight Squares 10th Anniversary Advanced & Challenge Dance (Eric Henerlau), San Francisco, CA.
9	CCS Tuesday Special (Ron Libby), Jefferson School, Sacramento, CA.
12–14	☙ PACE Advanced & Challenge Weekend (Saundra Bryant), Hayward, CA.
12–15	"Star Thru L.A. '93" (Anne Uebelacker & Bill Eyler), Tinseltown Squares, Los Angeles, CA.
20	CCS Workshops & Dangle Dance (Joe Kula), Sacramento, CA.

December Birthdays

5	**Jim Sneed**
7	**Rory Jones**
10	**Dean Willis**
18	**Bonnie Gill**
21	**Don Unruh**
22	**Dameon Walker**
23	**Greg Friel**
27	**Kas Christopher**
28	**Rick Arts**
30	**David Evans**

January Birthdays

4	**Cindy Sullivan**
5	**Steven Starr**
10	**James Ozanich**
22	**Tim White**
22	**Luretta Fairman**
28	**Janet Pierson**
30	**Rich Wilkes**

Coming Events

March

6 WSD Dance (Deborah Parnell), San Francisco, CA.
12–14 South Florida Mustangs Fly-In, Miami, FL.
19–21 PACE Advanced & Challenge Weekend (Ross Howell), Hayward, CA.
26–28 Alamo City Wranglers Fly-In, San Antonio, TX.

April

2–4 PACE Spectacular Advanced & Challenge Dance, South San Francisco, CA.
2–4 Southern California Regional Gay Clubs Fly-In, San Diego, CA.
9–11 Independence Squares Fly-In (Anne Uebelacker, Glenn Matthew, & Howard Richman), Philadelphia, PA.
16–18 CCS Anniversary Retreat (Paul Waters), Fifes, Guerneville, CA. (New Date)
16–18 California State Square Dance Convention, Fresno, CA.
25 National March for Gay Rights, Washington, DC.
30–M 2 5th SATB Round-Up, Vancouver, BC., Canada.
30–M2 FCD Annual Retreat (Andy Shore & Anne Uebelacker), Wildwood Ranch, Guerneville, CA.
30–M2 Reheboth Fly-In, Chesapeak Squares, Reheboth Beach, DE.

May

1 WSD Dance (Joe Saltel), San Francisco, CA.
15 CCS Dance (Vanya Leighton), Sacramento, CA.
28–30 "Scoot Across the Border," Triangle Squares Fly-In, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

June

17–19 National Advanced & Challenge Convention, Louisville, KY.
19 Sacramento Gay Pride Dance (Andy Shore), CCS, Sacramento, CA.
19 Lambda Freedom Fair, McKinley Park, Sacramento, CA.
24–26 National Square Dance Convention, St. Louis, MO.
26 WSD Pre-Parade Dance, San Francisco, CA.
27 Gay Pride Day, San Francisco, CA.

July

2-4 "Remake the Circle," 10th IAGSDC Convention, Seattle, WA.

August

12–14 American Advanced & Challenge Convention, Toledo, OH.
16–30 "Pink Triangles in Red Square," FCD Square Dance Trip to Russia.
21 CCS Workshops & Dance, Sacramento, CA.

Local Contacts:

CCS Capital City Squares
George (916) 929-8697 Bill (916) 969-5153

Prime 8's
Art (916) 966-1734 Del (916) 446-4396

WSD Western Star Dancers
Anna (415) 621-0862 Scott (415) 864-6134

FCD Foggy City Dancers
Allan (415) 863-8033 Ken (415) 821-0417

MS Midnight Squares
Roger (415) 664-0513 Claire (415) 861-1979

ECR El Camino Reelers
Dave (408) 241-5813 Randy (415) 961-7504

DD Diablo Dancers
Art (510) 724-7365

SOW Sequoia Ocean Waves
Mary Ann & Lyn (707) 444-2775

PACE
James (916) 925-4242 Nancy (415) 479-7076

TNT's
Stan & Bill (916) 929-8828

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to us by "Remake the Circle," the 1993 Seattle Convention Committee, with a few advance remarks from me. (It was during this viewing that the new class elected their two representatives—an election close enough that the votes had to be counted twice.)

OTHER ITEMS IN MY HEAD. You'll note that this issue is actually two "issues"—the Board decided to combine the issues for several reasons, among them the facts that we will miss the last two weeks of December and most of the first week of January, that the next Board meeting is not until the 13th of January, and the fact that there is not all that much going on this time of year (square dance-wise). We have included January's calendar as well as December's, so you won't be too much in the dark. I would like to thank all who contributed to the donation to the San Joaquin AIDS Foundation in the memory of David Cogswell. As we are all aware, funds are getting harder to get for all organizations, and the contribution to that group will certainly help. Again my thanks to all of you for your help in this, and especially to James for organizing and bringing this to fruition!

I mentioned earlier (way earlier it seems) that there "is always something to be done," and I'd like to mention but a few of them here: several times over the last coupla years, it has been mentioned that the Club might look into new shirts, both long-sleeved western and "polo." Kas has been working a bit on the latter, the "polo," but the idea for a new "formal" Club shirt has not been followed up on. Please feel free to volunteer for this—ask and we can give you a few guidelines to get you started. We are also always looking for new recordings, tapes or records, to dance to. This search is not limited to the callers, or the "more experienced" dancers. Even "rumors of rumors" are appreciated. Last (for now), but not least, Bill, our well-loved and most appreciated newsletter editor, is ALWAYS looking for input from the membership for the newsletter. Anything is acceptable; a "Gossip Column" would be simply marvelous (with all the queens we've got around here, there has got to be enough dishing for this!), serious articles, perspectives (e.g., Jeff's article last issue was wonderful), whatever you come up with. Don't be shy; this newsletter is for—make it work!

As usual, this is longer than I'd planned. To end, both this novel and the year, I wish each of you the love, the peace, the happiness, and the joy you deserve. Together we can make this a better place, a better world, a kinder place for all of us. May your 1992 end happily and your 1993 begin as the shining beginning of the best we can achieve.

My thanks to all of you; again, all the best to each of you.

See ya dancin'

George

Sacramento Men's Chorus Holiday Concert

The Sacramento Men's Chorus is giving its Holiday Concert on Saturday and Sunday, December 19 and 20. I must apologize to James Ozanich because I have no other information on this event. I lost the ad James gave me to put in this issue of the *Capers*. See James for information on place, times, and program of this concert. James, I sorry, sorry, sorry, sorry. . . .

Renew Your Membership

It is almost that time again, time to renew your annual membership or officially join Capital City Squares by filling out the form on the opposite page and paying $30.00. Your membership form and fee are due January 1, 1993 and will be delinquent March 1, 1993. Your #30.00 membership fee pays for all the publications of Capital City Squares and Prime 8's, including this newsletter, flyers, membership lists, reminder cards, postage, etc. Please renew your membership or officially join the Club as soon as possible. If there is a financial problem, see George or Rick. We can work something out.

Membership Application

Capital City SQUARES

P.O. Box 19986
Sacramento, CA 95819-0986

Membership Fee: $30 a year
Due in January—Delinquent in March

Fill out the following (please print)
and submit with your Membership Fee

	Publication Permitted	
	Yes	No
Name		
Address		
City		
State Zip		
Home Phone Work Phone		
Optional: Birthday (Month & Day)		
Optional: Occupation		

Current Dance Level:

(Circle One) Basic Mainstream Plus Advanced Challenge

In applying for, or renewing membership with Capital City Squares, I will not hold Capital City Squares or its officers and members responsible for any personal injury or property damage/loss arising from participation in any Club activities. I understand that Capital City Squares does carry Liability and Accident Medical Insurance.

Signed: Date:

Name desired on Badge (New Members Only):

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Prime 8's

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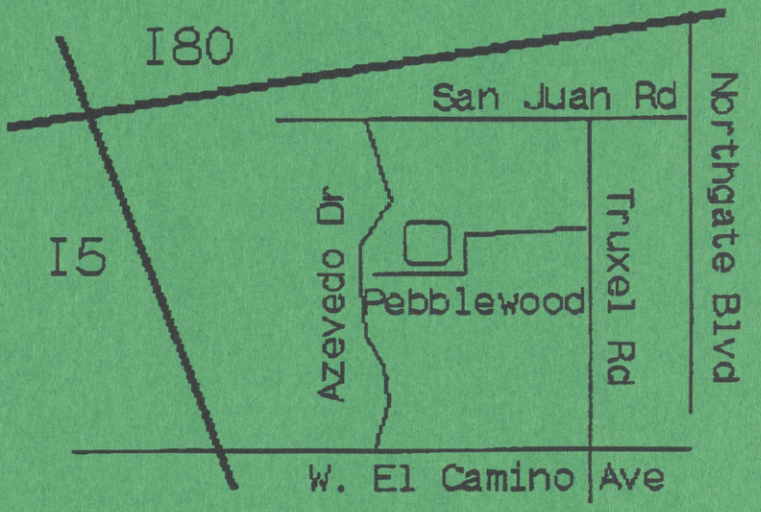

Dave Stevens

A2

(with C1 Star Tips)

on two Saturdays

November 21 & December 19

8:00pm till 10:30pm $6.00

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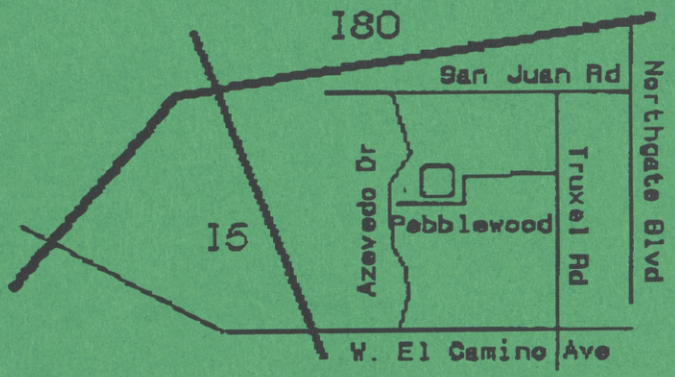

Starry, Starry Nights

Capital City Squares

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proudly present

Art Hinton

making his gay club debut

Saturday, December 12, 1992
7:30 - 10:30 p.m.

William Land School
12th and V Streets
Sacramento

Class Level Basic (Calls 1 to 30), Mainstream and Plus Levels

$6.00 per Person
Basic Dancers 1/2 Price

For information, contact:
James (916) 925-4242
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Club members are asked to bring munchies to share.

Upcoming Dances:
January 16 with Bert Swerer
February 20 Dangle Dance with Joe Kula

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December 1992

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		CCS Class Night, 6:30–9:30, Jefferson School FCD, 7-9, Live Oak School SF 1	WSD 7:30-9:30, EVRC, SF ECR 7:30-9:30 St. Andrew's Church Palo Alto 2	FCD Club Night, 7:30-9:30, Live Oak School, SF 3	4	5
FCD Plus Class MS Live Oak School SF 6	Prime 8's, 7-9:30, Jefferson School WSD 7:30-9:30 Eureka Valley Recreation 7	CCS Class Night, 6:30–9:30, Jefferson School FCD, 7-9, Live Oak School SF 8	WSD 7:30-9:30, EVRC, SF ECR 7:30-9:30 St. Andrew's Church Palo Alto 9	FCD Club Night, 7:30-9:30, Live Oak School, SF 10	11	"Starry, Starry Night" CCS 7:30-10:30 William Land School 12
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FCD Plus Class MS Live Oak School SF 20	WSD 7:30-9:30 Eureka Valley Recreation Center SF 21	FCD 7-9 Live Oak School SF 22	WSD 7:30-9:30, EVRC, SF ECR 7:30-9:30 St. Andrew's Church Palo Alto 23	24	25	26
FCD Plus Class MS Live Oak School SF 27	WSD 7:30-9:30 Eureka Valley Recreation Center SF 28	FCD 7-9 Live Oak School SF 29	WSD 7:30-9:30, EVRC, SF ECR 7:30-9:30 St. Andrew's Church Palo Alto 30	31		

January 1993

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FCD Plus Class MS Live Oak School SF 10	Prime 8's 7-10:00 (Advanced Class 7:30-9:30) Jefferson 11	CCS Class Night 6:30-9:30 Jefferson School FCD Class 12	WSD 7:30-9:30 EVRC SF ECR 7:30-9:30 St. Andrew's 13	FCD Club Night 7:30-9:30 Live Oak School, SF 14	15	CCS "Winter White" Dance Jefferson School 16
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FCD Plus Class MS Live Oak School SF 31						

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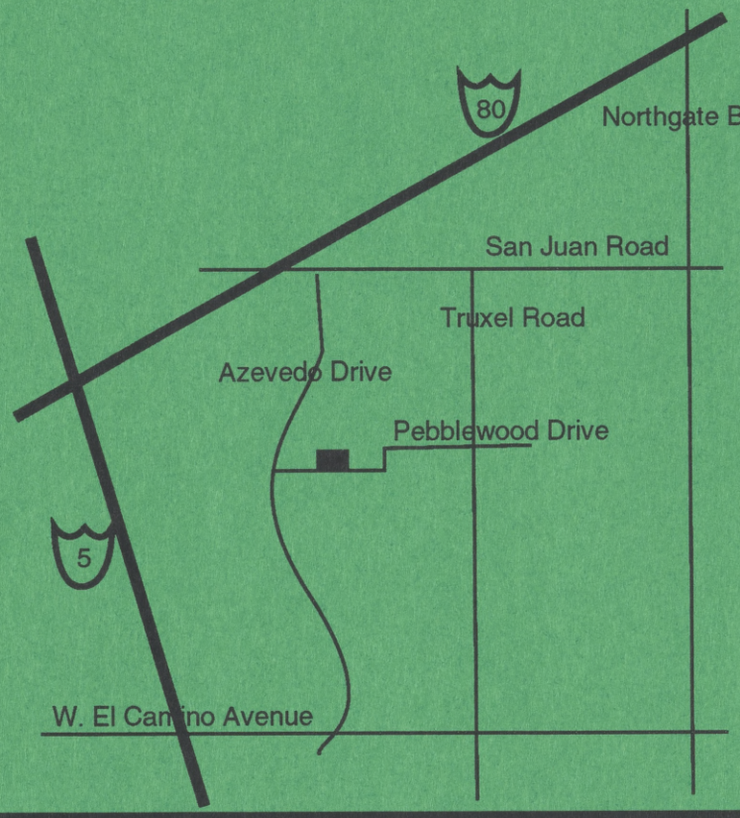

Capital City Squares dances Tuesdays
Basic/Mainstream 6:30–8:15 p.m.
Plus 8:15–9:30 p.m.

Prime 8's dances Mondays, 7:00–9:30 p.m.

Jefferson Elementary School
2001 Pebblewood Drive
Sacramento, CA (South Natomas)

I-5 (Northbound Only):
Right on W. El Camino Exit (east)
Left at first stoplight (Azevedo Drive)
Right at second stop sign (Pebblewood Drive)
School is on the left.

I-80 (Either Direction) Not Business 80!
Northgate Blvd. exit—south
Right at second stoplight (San Juan Road)
Follow road about 2 miles
Left last street before overpass (Azevedo Drive)
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